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Hon. Kevin McNulty, U.S.D.J.  
United States District Court, District of New Jersey  
Martin Luther King Building & U.S. Courthouse  
50 Walnut Street  
Newark, New Jersey 07101

**Re: *United States ex rel. Perri v. Novartis Pharms. Corp. and  
Express Scripts, Inc.*, Civ. A. No. 15-6547 (KM)(JBC)**

Dear Judge McNulty:

This firm represents Defendant Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation in the above-captioned matter.

We have enclosed for Your Honor's consideration a proposed Response to the United States Government's Statement of Interest (D.I. 35). The Government has given its consent to filing this Response.

Thank you for Your Honor's kind attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

*s/ Philip S. May*

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Enclosure

cc: Counsel of Record (via CM/ECF and e-mail)